



Specialized  
Residential



Supported Living  
Alternatives



Affordable Rental  
Housing



Representative  
Payee Services



Autism Services



## SEPTEMBER 2024

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### WHO WE ARE

Since 1978, ROI has provided residential and support services in southwest Michigan for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We offer a unique person and family-centered philosophy that creates a strong connections with the community for the individuals we serve.

As a CARF accredited health and human services non-profit organization, ROI serves more than 400 adults with disabilities through the operation of residential group homes, supported living, affordable rental housing, payee services, and autism treatment.

### WHAT WE DO

**Specialized**, licensed residential group homes for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

**Supported** living alternatives: This program provides IDD individuals support in homes they choose to own or rent.

**Affordable** Rental Housing

**Representative** Payee

**Autism Services:** Great Lakes Center for Autism Treatment and Research

### WHY WE ARE HERE

**MISSION:** ROI partners with children and adults with disabilities and their families so they may live more meaningful, healthy, and independent lives in their homes and communities.

**VISION:** ROI will be recognized as the regional provider of choice for people with disabilities and a model of excellence for improving quality-of-life outcomes.

**We aim to create strong community connections for the individuals we serve. Our greatest joy and the driving force behind what we do is helping people realize their hopes, dreams, goals and desires.**



# CEO CORNER

## LEADERSHIP TEAM AT ROI

Some new and some familiar faces!



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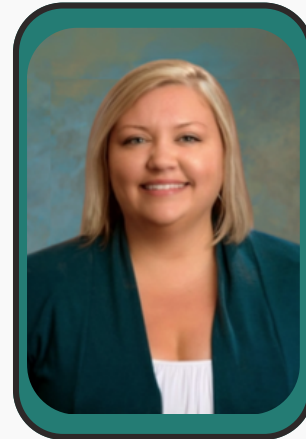
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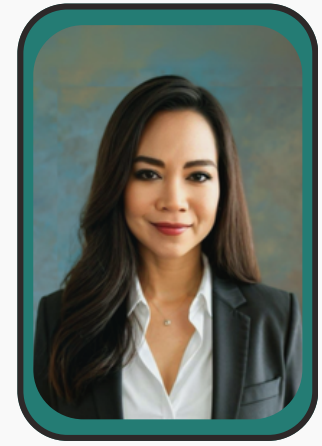
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# ROI UPDATES

## SUMMER EVENTS



AUGUST 2024

### 2024 GOLF OUTING

We here at Residential Opportunities have been busy with various events. We hosted our yearly Golf Outing on June 7th at Heritage Glen Golf Club. We had a beautiful, sunny day for the golfers. The golfers enjoyed a continental breakfast, a hot dog and brat snack on the turn, and a taco buffet for late lunch. The golfers enjoyed the various games, the silent auction, and raffle items.

The proceeds from our golf outing go directly into our Independence Fund. This fund provides financial assistance for quality-of-life items such as medical co-pays, prescription assistance, dental care, eye glasses, furniture, clothing, moving expenses, concerts, festivals, and much more!



SUMMER KICKOFF COOKOUT



ARC COMMUNITY  
ADVOCATES BBQ FEST



BLACK ARTS SUMMER  
FESTIVAL

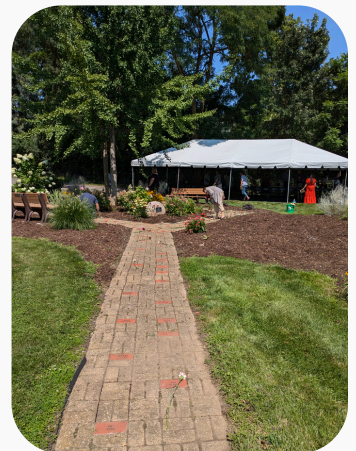






### MEMORIAL GARDEN

Each year in August, we hold an event in our Memorial Garden where we add bricks with the names of people we served, staff, and community members whose presence will long be remembered.



On Fridays during the summer, either Sweet Caroline's Ice Cream or Kona Ice of Kalamazoo truck visited Great Lakes Center – Intensive Residential Program, Elaine program, and the two GLC Outpatient programs in Galesburg and Kalamazoo at the Douglass Community Association. This was a fantastic way to bring “Community” to our programs including excellent learning opportunities with yummy rewards!



Sweet Caroline's Ice Cream



Kona Ice of Kalamazoo

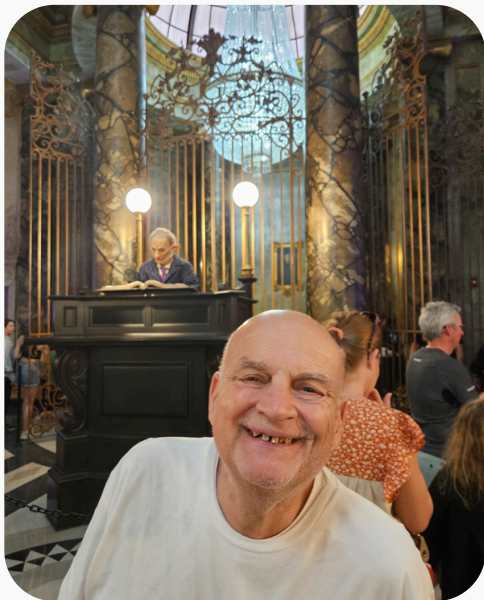




### DISNEY WORLD: MARCH 2024

From March 11-15th, our residents embarked on an unforgettable adventure to Disney World! It was a week filled with sunshine, laughter, and magical moments. Our residents were thrilled to meet their favorite characters, enjoy delightful dinners with friends, and explore the enchanting parks. The highlight for everyone was the iconic Magic Kingdom, with its breathtaking castle. Each resident had the chance to choose their own park adventure, making the experience truly personal and memorable.

These incredible journeys are made possible by the generous donations to our Independence Fund, which directly enrich the lives of our residents. We're already buzzing with excitement for our next adventure—a Disney Cruise set for this November!





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## UPCOMING EVENTS



### In A Different Key

#### Free Community-Wide Informational Event

Join us for a community-wide event featuring the GLC - Northside Autism Center inside the Douglass Community Association building at 1000 W. Paterson Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49007 on **Monday, September 23 from 4:00-6:00 pm.**

A video will be shown – In A Different Key - Race and Autism, tours, service and employment information about the GLC programs, a balloon twister for the youth, and a snack buffet.

This is open to the public so please share

### 11TH ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT

Sat, Oct 19th 2024 | 1-3 PM | 9616 Portage Rd  
Portage, MI 49002

#### 11th Annual Trunk or Treat

For youth and adults with developmental/intellectual disabilities.

**Saturday, October 19 from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm** at the Great Lakes Center of Autism Treatment and Research.  
9616 Portage Rd, Portage MI 49002

Featuring a Dance Party with DJ, Petting Zoo, Balloon animals, Face Painting, photo opportunities, and Costume and trunk contests for prizes!

If raining, treats will be provided in a drive-thru format.

### 13th Annual Youth Fights for Kids With Autism

YOUTH HOCKEY FIGHTS  
FOR KIDS WITH AUTISM

Saturday, January 25th  
2025

WINGS WEST  
10 am - 8 pm

#### 13th Annual Youth Fights for Kids with Autism

Our annual event, Youth Hockey Fights for Kids with Autism, is scheduled for January 25th, 2025 from 10 am – 8 pm at Wings West, 5076 Sports Drive, Kalamazoo, MI 49009

This event helps support the families the Great Lakes Center for Autism Treatment and Research serves and its programs.

Help us reach our goal in 2025 by becoming a sponsor. For more information, contact Darci Stevens at [dstevens@resopp.org](mailto:dstevens@resopp.org)



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Great Lakes Center for Autism  
Treatment & Research  
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Portage, MI 49002  
269-250-8200

The Lawrence Autism Center  
1800 South 35th Street  
Galesburg, MI 49053  
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